A BRIEF MEMOIR OF COL. R. B. BOSTON

Gallant Leader of the Fifth Virginia Cavalry. Unscathed in Bloody Battles, Only to Die Almost Within Sight of Appomattox. The Career of His Regiment.

maign, against overwhelming odds. Space would fall even for a bare recital. In all these Colonel Boston took a conspicuous part except at Gettyshurg. At aldle, in Loudoun county, Virginia, June 17, 1862, after a desperate fight with overwhelming odds, he was surrounded and captured with many of his men, and an attempt being made to kill him on account of his fierce resistance, he was only saved from instant death by the quick interposition of a Federal Heutenant. Carried a prisoner to Johnson's Island, in Lake Erle, Captain Boston returned from prison a short time before the campaign of 1841; the most arduous, severe, flerce and fatal of which modern history makes mention, being a continuous and almost dally death grapple until the end at Appomatics, nearly twelve menths afterwards. In the Wilderness, Captain Boston bore a completious part, and at Spotsylvania. Courthouse he had a bandst water of the continuous where dead leaves. mearly twelve months afterwards. In the Wilderness, Captain Boston bore a conspicuous part, and at Spoisylvanial Courthouse he had a hand-to-hand condict with the enemy. At Yellow Tavern, near Richmond, May 11, 1864, General J. E. R. Stuart, a short time before receiving bits death wound, complimented the Fifth Virginia Cavalry on the heroic fight it was making to stay the enemy advancing in overwhelming numbers, and when its colonel fell dead exclaimed, "Colonel Patch has died the death of a hero," the same being also true of himself a few minners later. In this terrible battle, Captain Roston bravely bore his part, and on account of the heavy losses in officers and men, was advanced to the coloneley, being promoted over soine who were his senfors.

This was the worst battle, so far as losses are concerned, the Fifth Cavalry ever had, going into battle with 350 men, and coming out with 125, basing its colonel, H. C. Pate, and three captains, Wilson, Clay and Fox, Killed on the field, wounded or captured, As its colonel, Roston, led the Fifth Virginia Cavalry in all its subsequent baities. At Cold liarbor, at Trevillian's Station, when he was again captured, but escaped from the enemy, and at Rosms's Station, in Dinwiddle county, Virginia, at the head of the Fifth, he bore a conspicuous part in the disastrous rout and capture of the forces of the Yankee Faider, General Wilson.

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Flecked with blood drops as well as foam;
See youder hillock where dead leaves fall.
The good bay horse dropped dead—that is all.

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LET THE "CONQUERED BANNER" WAVE,

BY COLONEL "JIM" ANDERSON

Why furl it and fold it and put it away.
The banner that proudly waved over
the gray?
It has not a blemish, it shows not a

It has not a blemish, it should stain,
Though it waved over fields where thousands were slain.
Oh, why should we furl it and put it sway?
It's loved and respected by the blue and the gray.

They fought for a cause they thought

was just.
And this banner they loved was trailed in the dust.
Their fight was lost and their hopes are dead,
And another flag waves proud o'er

And another they their head;
But still in their memory, without boast or brag,
Wound around their hearts is this bonn's blue flag.

So unfurl that banner; don't lay it Away.

There is but one country—it's both blue and gray—

Just one united hand for us all, Each willing and ready to answer the call;

But no land on earth, no bistory can

That braver men lived than those of

Don't furl it and fold it and put it

away.
Let our sons and daughters gaze on
it and say:
"Twill live on forever in story and

Brave men fought for it: they may have men fought for it: they may have heen wrong.
But they fought for it gladly, heroes and brave.
And the bonnie blue flag waves over their grave."

So unfurt the old banner; let it float in the air; Let all the old veterans salute it up Let all the old veterans sainte it up,
there.
Though their cause it was lost, they
were men tried and true,
Unable to overcome Ozechi obstrucbennie and blue.
Now, here's to old Dixie, the land of
the brave;
"All hall to the bennie blue flag, let
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